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In Re Application of: Thomas F. Metz  
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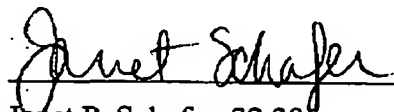
**AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued August 6, 2004, as a result of attorney understanding the invention better, Applicant filed a Continuation-in-Part Application, filed November 6, 2004 under separate cover.

Respectfully submitted,




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